



Small Agencies And Contract Writing Systems/ Automated Procurement Systems

Jim Blades, SAC Procurement Committee Chair

Agenda/Approach to Share

- Attempt to gather information across federal government – difficult task at best
- Integrated Acquisition Environment (IAE) and the Acquisition Committee for E-Government (ACE).
- Only a couple of places where data points could be seen across all federal agencies, although not definitive
 - ERP Lesson Learned Report, from Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy
 - GSA System for Acquisition Management (SAM) Registration Database
- Noted Available Systems in use by Federal Agencies – fbo.gov caveat

Integrated Acquisition Environment (IAE)

- IAE is the largest and most complex of the initiatives promoted by the E-Gov Act of 2002 that calls for electronic procurement initiatives.
- **IAE mission** - to standardize, integrate, and streamline the Federal procurement processes, through electronic means, for the acquisition workforce and business partners, while increasing transparency.
- **IAE strategic goals:**

A) Integrate Business Processes;	B) Enhance Data Quality, Data Sharing, and Transparency;
C) Provide Secure Technology Platforms;	D) Maximize the Benefit; and
E) Empower Efficient Acquisition.	

- **IAE optimizes resources to deliver services** – examples we are all aware of are services for:
 - Vendors, grantees, and loan recipients to register to do business with the government (**CCR and DUNS numbers**);
 - Vendors to find government opportunities (**FedBizOpps**).
 - Agencies to report contract actions (**FPDS**); Contracting officials to check on past performance, if a party has been excluded from doing business with the Federal Government, and check vendor's certifications and representations (**PPIRS, EPLS, and Online Representations and Certifications Application**)
- IAE simplifies, unifies and streamlines the acquisition process for buyers as well as for vendors and sellers through the **essential core of shared services** hoping to free up agencies to focus on Agency-specific needs while leveraging government-wide shared services. Examples of this include: **System for Award Management (SAM)** 1st Migration and plans for 2nd Migration; Common Hosting Services (CHS) hosting for the SAM Migrations; and FSD helpdesk services for the SAM Migrations.
- The **Acquisition Committee for E-Government (ACE)**, a subcommittee of the CAOC, it conducts monthly reviews of the IAE program, sets priorities, and approves funding.

From: Blades, Jim (AF/CGM/MD)

Sent: Monday, January 28, 2013 5:14 PM

To: debra_sonderman@ios.doi.gov; leantha.sumpter@osd.mil

Subject: Small Agency Council Procurement Committee - February Meeting Topic on Contracting Writing Systems

Debra, Leantha,

I am contacting you both in your role as co-chair of the Acquisition Committee for E-Government (ACE). For a February Small Agency Council Procurement Committee meeting I have been asked by the SAC member agencies to cover contracting writing systems/automated procurement systems in use across the federal government for those small agencies contemplating this step. Many of them do not have anything in place due to budget constraints, use a shared service provider, and many do not like what they have in place, e.g., PRISM (COMPUSEARCH), AAMS (DSI), etc. The MCC just procured and implemented what it currently relies upon (i.e., DSI AAMS), only last year. For the first 7 years of its existence, MCC got by with manual processes. I was able to secure budget last year for at least an off the shelf solution. CACI had paired up with a DOI/NBC vendor to develop something for the MCC but we had to abandon the idea due to budget constraints and reverted to COTS.

Keying off of your ACE purpose caption as depicted below I wondered if the ACE ever covered this issue/topic in any manner or for any purpose, i.e., addressed a standard set of requirements for an automated contract writing/procurement system. In doing a little digging I did find the bullets included in the attached PP slide, the FAQs were found on Acquisition Central indicating that this is not being pursued. Also as noted on the 2nd to PP slides, I found a report researched by the DPAP, looking at 8 civilian and DoD agencies (see chart below). This is dated 2008 and highlights the results of interviews conducted with those agencies. Other than coming across this I see no coordinated effort on the matter. Other than sharing this information I've been able to dig up, and making SAC member agencies aware of this I have nothing that I could speak to from an overall government perspective, other than to say it's the hodge podge it appears to be. If either of you have time, I'd like the opportunity to chat with one of you to talk about how I could best address the issue at the February 20th meeting. Any ideas you might have would be most welcome. I have scheduled the meeting and have a segment to address whatever I can come up with, as well as, some small agency practical experiences, e.g., MCC, SEC and potentially NRC. I just wondered if I could leverage some information from the ACE on this topic. Please let me know and thanks in advance. Of course if you have ideas, or more information and could spare time on the 20th, it would be great to have a credible guest speaker on the topic.

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Acquisition Committee for E-Government (ACE)

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The purpose of the Acquisition Committee for E-Government (ACE) is to provide the Integrated Acquisition Environment (IAE) E-Government initiative with:

- federal acquisition community vision, perspective and guidance, and
- executive level decision-making and oversight regarding scope, priorities, budget and funding.

The ACE is an executive steering committee established under the Chief Acquisition Officers Council (CAOC), a senior level forum established for monitoring and improving the federal acquisition environment. The Council promotes effective business practices that ensure the timely delivery of best value products and services to the agencies, achieve public policy objectives, and further integrity, fairness, competition, and openness in the federal acquisition system.

The responsibilities of the ACE are to:

- provide strategic direction for the IAE,
- establish IAE initiative's portfolio, which contains acquisition-related projects/systems that support multiple agencies,
- recommend the inclusion and prioritization of initiatives and projects within the IAE portfolio to OMB,
 - approve IAE's annual budget and work plan and move them forward to the CAOC for final approval,
 - provide rulings on IAE Change Control Board (CCB) recommendations that exceed approved current scope and budget,
- ensure the alignment of IAE information technology capital investments with business goals as required by the E-Government Strategy, applicable statutes, Federal architecture framework specifications, Financial Systems Integration Office (FSIO) requirements and acquisition regulations,
 - review the IAE initiative's OMB Exhibit 300 in coordination with the IAE Program Management Office (PMO) and provide input and feedback prior to OMB submission
 - review and approve the business case,
 - review and approve the funding model,
 - review each application investment in an annual internal program review (IPR) presentation,
 - review, approve, and enforce IAE architecture specifications (e.g., standards, constraints, guidelines, processes, and products) for use within the acquisition community,
 - review the Source Selection Authority's recommendations for competitive range and award,
 - serve as liaison to other government-wide councils as needed.

Agency	ERP Application	Contract Writing System	Future Systems
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)	SAP's R/3	Compusearch's PRISM	NA
U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)	Oracle	Compusearch's PRISM	NA
U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)	Oracle	Compusearch's PRISM	NA
Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)	SAP's R/3	Failed SPS integration, reverted back to Legacy GOTS	SAP's PPS to replace GOTS after SAP R/3 upgrade
DHS - U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)	Finance and Procurement Desktop (FPD) - GOTS for simplified acquisition and field accounting integrated with the Oracle suite for Core Accounting System (CAS)	Compusearch's PRISM	NA
DHS - Customs and Border Protection (CBP)	SAP's R/3	SAP's PRO	SAP's PPS to replace PRO
U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI)	SAP	Compusearch's PRISM	NA
Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA)	RISFACTS (FACTS invoice and payments), a PeopleSoft Financials-based application.	CACI's ComprizeSuite and PRESS legacy requisitioning system.	NA

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Is IAE going to eventually have one universal contract writing system?

IAE is NOT designing one universal contract writing system for use by all federal contracting officers to set up a solicitation/contract. The IAE is working with all the commercial providers of this type of software application to address the needs from a government-wide perspective. If there is any company in this line of work which is interested in the IAE requirements, please contact us to be included in the Contract Writing System roundtable sessions.

What are IAE's plans to have a contract writing system "all inclusive" such that the contracting officer doesn't need to leave his/her workspace or desktop to go to another site to get something?

We need an easier way for all the shared services the IAE provides to be available to the contracting officers in their day-to-day tasks. Specifically the IAE oversees the applications that provide the portions of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) process that all agencies do in a similar manner. Examples are posting a synopsis, using contractor data, and sharing a performance evaluation. Currently a contracting officer in the process of conducting a procurement must go in and out of several websites to perform a specific task. Some day, we would like them simply to open their systems and be able to access from their primary work environment all the functionality of the various tools available.



**Defense Procurement
and Acquisition Policy**

ERP and Contract Writing Systems Lessons Learned Survey Report

July 30, 2008

http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/pdi/eb/docs/erp_cws_lessons_learned.pdf

Executive Summary

This document presents the lessons learned from implementing contract writing systems with Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) applications as researched by Defense Procurement Acquisition Policy (DPAP). Eight Federal Civilian and DOD agencies were interviewed including National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), DHS Coast Guard (USCG or Coast Guard), U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), and the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA). Support for the project, including this analysis, was provided by IBM Global Business Services (IBM).

The following analysis of lessons learned was gathered based on agency responses on the following questionnaire topics: Program and Project Management, Software Functionality, Change Management, Testing, Data Migration and Conversion, Technical Issues, and Concluding Remarks. Initial analysis concluded that regardless of the implemented software solutions, the lessons learned were generally the same across all agencies. The agencies implemented varying contract writing systems and ERP solution combinations; however they mostly shared the same objectives.

The following table summarizes the interviewed agencies and the ERP applications and contract writing systems they implemented. Future systems are also identified.

Agency	ERP Application	Contract Writing System	Future Systems
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)	SAP's R/3	Compusearch's PRISM	N/A
U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)	Oracle	Compusearch's PRISM	N/A
U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)	Oracle	Compusearch's PRISM	N/A
Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)	SAP's R/3	Failed SPS Integration, reverted back to Legacy GOTS	SAP's PPS to replace GOTS after SAP R/3 upgrade
DHS – U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)	Finance and Procurement Desktop (FPD) - GOTS for simplified acquisition and field accounting integrated with the Oracle suite for Core Accounting System (CAS).	Compusearch's PRISM	N/A
DHS – Customs and Border Protection (CBP)	SAP's R/3	SAP's IPRO	SAP's PPS to replace IPRO
U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI)	SAP	Compusearch's PRISM	N/A
Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA)	FMS/FACTS (FACTS invoice and payments), a PeopleSoft Financials-based application.	CACI's ComprizonSuite and PRESS legacy requisitioning system.	N/A

The following table summarizes common experiences and notes several unique instances. Note that many of the ratings are born from a combination of factors, including the contract writing software, the integration with and limitations imposed by the ERP applications, chosen implementation methodologies,



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Representative List of systems which interface with sam

Agency/Bureau	Entity name	Justification Reason
Administration for Children and Families	Administration for Children and Families	To obtain contractor information into Grants Management and Procurement Tracking System .
Architect of the Capitol	Financial Systems Division	The Architect of the Capitol (AOC), U.S. Capitol, Washington DC uses the CGI Federal COTS, Central Contractor Registry Connector (CCRC) application that integrates with the agency's Financial Management System (FMS), Momentum Financials.
Broadcasting Board of Governors	Office of the Chief Financial Officer	(The BBG system account for SAM will need to be accessible and usable for BBG employees within the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, in order to securely download and process Legacy CCR and Entity Management files within the BBG's Financial System, which is hosted by a private shared service provider, CGI.)
CGI		CCR/SAM data is to be used for verification of DUNS information provided by the recipients of the ARRA Recipient Reporting Solution .
DCMA	Procurement Center	Contract Writing System requires the ability to sync with SAM records (SPS)
Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA)	Procurement Directorate (PLD/PL1)	The DEPS - SAM information system exchanges will provide the required validations. (DISA Enterprise Procurement System (DEPS) is a web-based data driven procurement tool that enables its mission partners to submit requirements, process those requirements into contract actions, award and administer those actions, distribute the required documents, and report the results for contractual, financial, and metric purposes.
Defense Intelligence Agency	AE	Need data for our Contracting Management System . Vendor "CACI" states that the format we are to request is the SENSITIVE data.
Department Of Commerce	Commerce Business Systems/CSC	Need to extract the legacy CCR and SAM Entity Management monthly and daily sensitive data files for testing the SAM interfaces to the Commerce Business Systems (CBS) and the feeder acquisition system .
Department of Commerce	OFM-CSC	This access request is for use in the Department of Commerce Acquisition System .
Department of Education	OCIO	This is the access level Department of Education had on CCR/BPN, the sensitive data file is used for validating DUNS/Vendor information in our Contracts and Grants systems .
Department of Homeland Security	Office of the Chief Procurement Officer	The COTS contract writing system utilized by DHS Headquarters is PRISM .
Department of Justice	Office of Justice Programs	This request is to support the AAMS contract writing system .
Department of State	A/LM/PMP/SYS	CCR Vendor information uploaded to the Department of State's integrated Logistics Management System (ILMS)
Department of Veterans Affairs	Office of Acquisition, Logistics and Construction	The VA's contracting writing system uses the vendor information in SAM to ensure our vendors have registered in the SAM.
DOD - TRICARE Management Activity	TRICARE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY	This is a request to set up a system account for the purposes of integrating our Contract Management solution, Compusearch PRISM
DOD/ARMY	MICC-FORT LEONARD WOOD CONTRACTING OFFICE	SPS - CONTRACTING WRITING SYSTEM
DOT/FAA	Financial Systems Solutions Division, AIO-300	To meet FFATA requirements, FAA requires DUNS information. In order to map the Vendor information from CCR system to Prism , it is required to have the Vendor TIN as one of the data elements.
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	System account for contract writing system. (Contract Writing System called "EPA Acquisition System (EAS)" a.k.a. PRISM by Compusearch.)
Export-Import Bank Of The United States	Export-Import Bank	TIN extract is needed to feed data into our contract writing system and our financial accounting system. EXIM has been receiving this extract for a number of years and has built interfaces that require this data.
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION	DIVISION OF FINANCE	Access is needed to support the automated interface between the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, New Financial System and SAM
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission	Payroll, Application and Integration Division	FERC needs the eft and routing information for its financial integration needs AAMS
Federal Labor Relations Authority	Administrative Services Division	FLRA requires access for use with agency's contract writing system which is Automated Acquisition Management System (AAMS)
Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board	Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board	Needed in order to interface with Automated Acquisition System .
Federal Trade Commission	Acquisition Branch	
Health and Human Services	Program Support Center/Strategic Acquisition Service	Access to the CCRXML Web services replacement system .
HUD/Chief Procurement Office	Office of the Chief Procurement Officer	HIAMS - HUD Integrated Acquisition Management System - System-to-System interface
If Applicable	CACI - ComprizonSuite	CACI is the developer and support provider for the ComprizonSuite applications in use by the Department of Commerce and many other federal agencies. To meet the business needs of our customers, ComprizonSuite provides support for the Sensitive CCR Extracts. Therefore we are requesting access at this level with SAM so that we can properly test and support our customers use of the ComprizonSuite application to meet their contract writing system needs .

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Agency/Bureau	Entity name	Justification Reason
Various DoD	Name of Entity (Office Name of Federal Government)	Request SAM/CCR XML (HTTPS) connection with SAM/CCR to for the purpose of utilizing information contained in the CCR database to support testing of improvements to Procurement Desktop Defense (PD2) to update vendor information in the PD2 database in accordance with CCR.
If Applicable	National Science Foundation , Department of Information	Business function to execute grants and contracts
If Applicable	Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board	To detect and prevent fraud, waste, and mismanagement of recovery act funds
Millennium Challenge Corporation	Contracts and Grants Management Division	The extract information is required to operate our automated procurement system, called the CGM Contract Management System (CCMS) , which utilizes the Distributed Solutions' Inc. products Automated Acquisition Management Solution (AAMS) and Program Office Management Solution (POMS) . This information is crucial for properly identifying contractors on contract award forms and using other appropriate SAM/CCR data such as the business status and type of the contractor. Account credentials will be held by federal employees only.
National Gallery of Art	Office of Procurement and Contracts	To add and update NGA Contract Writing System AAMS with vendor addresses issuing contracts and Purchase orders. To add and update Oracle with vendor addresses and bank information for electronic payments.
National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency	Office of Contract Services	NGA Requires access to the SAM system, specifically the vendor extracts, for use with NGA's PRISM contracting system and GEO-F financial system.
National Guard Bureau and various DoD	USPFO-Iowa/ P&C	Increases the accuracy and currency of vendor data to be used in DoD contracting documents created in the Standard Procurement Systems (SPS) and in systems with which it interfaces.
Office of Personnel Management	Chief Financial Officer (CFO)	The purpose is for the agency core Financial System to get access to the daily CCR extract in order for the system to connect to and to receive the extract files for all federal agency customer, CCR registered vendors, and suppliers to load into the Consolidated Business Information System (CBIS). Also, to ensure that the correct banking information is uploaded, verified, and validated in our financial system.
Overseas Private Investment Corporation	Overseas Private Investment Corporation	CCR Data Extraction for Financial Management System and Procurement System
U.S. Department of Energy	1000 Independence Ave, SW	This access will be provided to STRIPES (PRISM) , DOE's contract writing system . This data will be used to verify CCR registration as well as provide data to our financial system.
U.S. Department of Transportation	Federal Railroad Administration/Office of Acquisitions & Grant Services	PRISM 7.1 Contract Writing System
US Department of Justice	Justice Management Division, Procurement Services Sta	PSS needs legacy CCR data extracts via web services for use in a commercial, off the shelf contract writing system marketed as PRISM .
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission	US NRC's Office of Administration (ADM)	The US NRC is providing this data for our new contracts writing system , STAQS. The NRC is in the process of implementing the PRISM COTs system . We need the SAM interface for our numerous environments. This system will be implemented in July 2013.
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission	US Nuclear Regulatory Commission	AAMS is the system used currently at NRC . Is a combination of Contract and Acquisition modules used to process the entire acquisition life cycle at the agency level,
USPFO-WV (NGB)	USPFO-WV	SPS/PD2 Purchasing and Contracting
Washington Headquarters Service	WHS/Financial Management Directorate	Enterprise Business Accountability System is an accounting and budgeting system used by multiple customers.
	FedConnect	Our PRISM system will only be accessing the test environment. Our FedConnect system will be accessing the testing environment and the production environment. (CompuSearch is a contractor that provides product development and technical support to multiple federal agencies that use our contract writing system (PRISM) to interface with SAM.
	DSI	DSI is requesting access to the SAM CCR, ORCA and EPLS to p202-461-rovide continuous service to our government customers. As a contract writing system , we want to integrate and test with complete coverage to all of our customers.

CAVEAT: *This is the SAC PC Chairperson's observation and is not meant to be all encompassing – go to www.FBO.gov given the particular requirements for your agency and see what is available*

- ✓ *AAMS (Distributed Solutions Inc.),*
- ✓ *Contract Lifecycle Management (CLM) (Oracle/CACI),*
- ✓ *Electronic Acquisition System (EAS)/ComprizonSuite (CACI),*
 - ✓ *AUDIT OF THE ELECTRONIC ACQUISITION SYSTEM (EAS)/COMPRIZON REPORT NUMBER A100122/P/F/R11008 March 25, 2011*
- ✓ *PRISM (COMPUSEARCH), and,*
- ✓ *Procurement Desktop Defense (PD²)/Standard Procurement System (SPS) (CACI)*

Main Takeaways

- No IAE consolidated approach for an SPS is planned to date
- DoD uses a system (PD² or SPS) that may not be available to Civilian Agencies
- Each Agency has decided the following based on their needs/situation:
 - ✓ Whether to get something customized to their needs
 - ✓ Whether to procure a commercial off the shelf (COTS) product configurable to their business processes/needs
 - ✓ Whether to use a government shared service provider (DOT, DOI, etc.) who use a system that suits both their Agency needs, but configurable to support customer needs of other agencies

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Electronic Acquisition System (EAS)/Comprizon

- **Investment Description**
- The Electronic Acquisition System (EAS)/Comprizon is a centralized web-enabled electronic procurement system based on the Commercial-Off-the-Shelf (COTS) Comprizon proprietary software. The EAS Comprizon system automates many key Public Building Services (PBS) acquisition processes and provides a full range of functional tools designed to support nationwide PBS acquisition preparation, tracking, and reporting for approximately 3,000 active users located at PBS regional offices, field offices, and other remote locations nationwide. EAS/Comprizon supports GSA's Innovation and Operational Excellence Goals by maintaining compliance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), and aligning with **GSA's** mission and Strategic Plan, Section 508 compliance, the Integrated Acquisition Environment (IAE), eGov initiatives, and the PBS Office of Acquisition Management and Policy. EAS/Comprizon fully supports the electronic reporting of PBS acquisition data to the Federal Procurement Database System - Next Generation (FPDS-NG). EAS enables electronic interoperability with Business Partner Network/Central Contractor Registry, Federal Business Opportunities and other IAE initiatives. EAS/Comprizon will maintain interoperability with the IAE replacement System for Award Management (SAM). The EAS application simplifies acquisition, improves the efficiency of the procurement process, and eliminates redundant data entry and record keeping. EAS strategically positions PBS to better serve acquisition professionals in a more efficient and cost-effective manner while preparing for and aligning with changes in the Federal acquisition landscape.

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Contract Lifecycle Management for Public Sector

By jeffrey.waterman on Apr 04, 2012

One thing Oracle never seems to get enough credit for is its consistent quest to improve its products, even the ones as established as its back-office solutions. Here is another example of one of the latest improvements: Contract Lifecycle Management for Public Sector, or CLM. The latest EBS module geared specifically for the Federal acquisition community.

Our existing customers have been asking Oracle for years to upgrade its Advanced Procurement Suite to meet the complex procurement processes of the Federal Government. You asked; we listened. Oracle, with direct input from Federal agencies, subject matter experts, integration partners, and the Federal acquisition community, has expanded and deepened its procurement suite to meet the unique demands of the Federal acquisition community.

New benefits/features include:

- Contract Line Item/Sub-Line Item (CLIN/SLIN) structures
- Configurable Document Numbering
- Complex Pricing Contract Types (as per FAR Part 16)
- Option lines and exercising of options
- Incremental Funding capability
- Support for multiple document types (delivery orders, BPA call orders, awards, agreements, IDIQ contracts)
- Requisition lines to fund modifications
- Workload assignment and milestones
- Contract Action Reporting to FPDS-NG

About

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- §Drug Enforcement Administration
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- §Bureau of Public Debt
- §Bureau of Engraving & Printing
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- §Departmental Offices
- §Financial Management Services

Shared Service Center Clients

(Served by Treasury's Administrative Resource Center or DOT's Enterprise Service Center):

- §Access Board
- §Alcohol & Tobacco Tax & Trade Bureau
- §Armed Forces Retirement Home
- §Bureau of the Public Debt
- §Chemical Safety & Hazard Investigation Board
- §Community Development Financial Institutions Board
- §Department of Homeland Security-Office of the Inspector General
- §Farm Credit Administration
- §Federal Housing Finance Board
- §Federal Maritime Commission
- §Financial Crimes Enforcement Network
- §Government Accountability Office
- §Housing & Urban Development-Office of the Inspector General
- §Inter-American Foundation
- §National Archives and Records Administration
- §Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission
- §Office of DC Pensions
- §Office of Thrift Supervision
- §Selective Service System
- §Treasury Franchise Fund
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- §U.S. Court of Appeals for Veteran Claims
- §U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board

Independent Agencies

- §Consumer Product Safety Commission
- §Environmental Protection Agency
- §Executive Office of the President
- §Harris County Metro Transit Authority
- §International Trade Commission
- §National Aeronautics & Space Administration
- §Office of Personnel Management
- §Securities & Exchange Commission
- §Small Business Administration
- §Social Security Administration
- §US Agency for International Development
- §US Postal Service

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Deploys Distributed Solutions, Inc.'s Acquisition Management Solution

By host on 8/1/2011

Automating FERC's FAR-based Acquisition Process Agency-wide; Distributed Solutions, Inc. (DSI) announced today that an integrated DSI/Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ([FERC](#)) team has successfully deployed DSI's hosted acquisition solution to support the FERC's procurement activities.

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The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service Deploys Distributed Solutions, Inc.'s Full Lifecycle Acquisition Solution


By host on 4/25/2011

Distributed Solutions, Inc. (DSI) announced today that an integrated DSI/ Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service ([FMCS](#)) team has successfully deployed an acquisition management solution for FMCS's procurement activities in both the Program and Contracting Offices.

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Distributed Solutions, Inc. Wins Four New Federal Clients

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DSI's welcomes our new clients:

- **The National Gallery of Art ([NGA](#))**
- **The Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board ([FRTIB](#))**
- **The Office of Justice Programs ([OJP](#))**
- **The Millennium Challenge Corporation ([MCC](#))**



Contract Management links

- ComprizonTMSuite
- Standard Procurement System (SPS)
 - AcquiLine suite
 - Procurement Desktop-Defense (PD²)

Logistics and Material Readiness

Procurement Desktop-Defense (PD²) provides automated strategic, streamlined contract management support for the procurement professional within a complete workflow management solution. PD² is an integral part of the DoD's **Standard Procurement System (SPS)** which is integrating acquisition, logistics and financial management within one end-to-end enterprise business system.

As SPS has been deployed throughout DoD contracting communities it is providing the technology and business process foundation necessary for DoD to achieve its procurement business goals by

- Eliminating multiple outdated legacy systems and automating manual business processes
- Facilitating the standardization of efficient business processes to improve management across the enterprise
- Expanding the software functionality necessary to effectively award and manage contracts in the rapidly evolving eCommerce environment

SPS is deployed to more than 27,000 trained users and was used in FY 2011 to award over 800,000 actions, buying more than \$190B in goods and services supporting the warfighter.

PD² lets you automate and control your own procurement process in an integrated desktop environment that enables paperless and more efficient contracting. The intuitive desktop interface provides graphical document management, electronic routing and approval, web-based reference library with both federal and DoD acquisition regulations, the Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS) and ad hoc reports. The enhanced Help feature provides an online learning system that focuses on the procurement processes.

PD² supports the complete end-to-end procurement cycle from requirements definition/initiation through solicitation, offer evaluation and award to contract administration and closeout. It provides improved funds management capabilities and support for all types of contract actions including agreements, BOAs and indefinite delivery contracts. Using both client/server and web architectures, PD² is scalable and seamlessly integrates with Windows-based office software packages as well as with external legacy systems and other administrative systems.

Version PD² v4.2 Increment 2 SR11 is the latest deployed version of PD².

SPS Legacy Integration is an application that works with the PD² Adapter to export data from PD² for external legacy systems, as well as import data from external legacy systems into PD².

The Standard Procurement System

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The **Standard Procurement System** (SPS) is a *software* suite providing front-office business services to Acquisition professionals in the United States Department of Defense.

Program History

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SPS is an outgrowth of the DoD Corporate Information Management (CIM) initiatives in the early 1990s, and is intended to provide standard business processes and data management across disparate acquisition communities, including:

- Posts, camps, and stations
- Inventory Control Points
- Major Weapon Systems
- Contingency contracting

The Standard Procurement System initiative began in 1994 with a directive from the Director of Defense Procurement to standardize the then approximately 70 acquisition systems in use on a single platform. In August 1996, the SPS contract was awarded through a competitive process to *American Management Systems* (now *CACI*). The contract directed AMS to build the Standard Procurement System through an incremental process on top of the company's existing Procurement Desktop - Defense (PD²) application.^[1]

SPS is one of the first DoD software acquisitions using *Federal Acquisition Regulation* (FAR) **Part 12 - Acquisition of Commercial Items**^[2] rules. One of the major drivers behind SPS was the use of *Commercial off-the-shelf*, or COTS, software. The software is *licensed* rather than purchased outright, and at the time marked a major shift in acquisition strategy for DoD. While DoD had previous experience in licensing software, it largely revolved around either *desktop computing* (operating systems, office automation products, etc.) or back-end servers (*mainframe operating systems*, *relational database management systems*, etc.). SPS is a business system and is licensed for 43,000 *contracting officers* and other acquisition professionals at DoD sites world-wide.

The deployment of SPS met with several challenges, including a stop-development order in 2002 from the US Government Accountability Office (GAO).^[3] The program resumed after establishing an internal requirements board, automating its integration capabilities, improving product documentation, and implementing a shift from a client-server architecture to a Web application architecture.^[4]

The SPS program has received several awards, including the Top Fed 100 award from Federal Computer Week (2003), the Grace Hopper Technology Leadership Award (2003),^[5] and CIO Magazine's CIO Enterprise Value Award (2005).^[6]

To date, SPS has been deployed on more than 23,000 desktops worldwide, and processed more than \$131 billion in *fiscal year* (FY) 2006, up from \$59.0 billion in FY 2004 ^[7]








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